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TWO CENTS.

AND ADMINISTRATION.

Attention to Such Re-

ports.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 27. - United

evening for Council Bluffs. He will go via

Denver and expects to reach the Missouri

river Wednesday morning. Regarding his

leave of absence from China, Minister Con-

ger said that all the stories to the effect

"I applied for the leave on my own mo-

tion, with the expectation of returning to

China and joining in the resumption of ne-

gotiations. No flag has been held higher

than ours in China, and the story that Pres-

ident McKinley and the Secretary of State

were disappointed is pure invention. If you

say anything on this topic publish the fact that the President and Secretary of State sent the United States minister a telegram of congratulation. I was advised that re-ports might be published that friction ex-

isted between the State Department and the legation and was told by the Secretary to

pay no heed to such statements.
"I know that stories are affoat stating

that President McKinley is not wholly satis-fied with my official conduct in China, and

in order to relieve the situation of embar-rassment to myself and the administration

has hinted to federal officeholders that my election to the office of governor of Iowa was desirable. Nothing could be further from the truth. The President would never

ANOTHER RULE PROMULGATED.

Attorneys.

in session at 1411 H street northwest.

"Where the petition is not signed or verified by the claimant, any agent or

attorney appearing must file a warrant of attorney within sixty days after the fil-

ing of the petition authorizing him to prosecute the claim."

The following circular letter has been prepared for distribution among claimants

papers must be two copies in add to the original.

the support of witnesses.

under rule 16.

"The two copies of petitions and all other

"By documentary evidence under rule 8

meant documents which prove them-

"The petition should conform literally

TREES FROM MANY LANDS.

The Conifers in the Agricultural De-

partment Grounds.

The identification and labeling of the rare

incense cedars from western North Amer-

leaf pines from southeastern United States,

Cilisian firs from Asia Minor, Cephalonian

firs from Greece, weeping arbor vitae from

China and Japan, English and Irish yews,

white and black spruces from various parts of North America, balsam firs, golden red,

pines from the Himalayas, golden arbor

Chinese water pines, Norway spruce, All-

cock's spruce from Japan. Japanese cy-press, American arbor vitae, plum fruit

yews from Japan and cloud-loving Podocar-

Among the other trees thus far identified

are gingkos, American lindens, broad-leaf

lindens and silver limes from Europe, Thun-

berg barberries from Japan, tulip trees,

box trees from Europe and America, yel-

low woods from the southeastern part of

the United States, palm-leaf maples from

Japan, flowering dogwoods, trifoliate or-

ange, bull bays from the south, starry mag-

QUARTERMASTERS' EMPLOYES.

Board Appointed to Reorganize the

Porto Rican Service.

A board of officers to consist of Col. P.

D. Vroom, inspector general, and Major F.

B. Jones, quartermaster, U. S. A., has been

ordered to proceed to San Juan, P. R., and

make an investigation in the matter of

civilian employes of the quartermaster's

department in the district of Porto Rico.

The investigation will include the offices

of the chief quartermaster of the district.

the office and depot of the quartermaster's

department at San Juan and the office of

the quartermaster's department at the posts

of San Juan, Henry barracks, Ponce and

Mayagdez, P. R., with a view to ascertain

what civilian employes are actually neces-

sary for the proper transaction of the busi-

ness of the quartermaster's department at

each of the places and posts mentioned. The report of the investigation will em-

brace a list of employes found in the serv

at San Juan, the capacity in which each to

employed, where employed and the rate of pay, and will show which of these em-

ployes should be continued, the rate of pay recommended by the board for each,

and a statement showing why their serv-

ices are actually necessary.

In addition the report will embrace the

means of wagon transportation in the dis-trict, whether any reduction of it can be

made, and, if so, the disposition of the sur-plus. It will also embrace the question of

supplies for the troops of the district (quartermaster's, subsistence and medical)

ties that should be kept on hand in depots

Voluntary Naval Retirements.

and submit for consideration the

number of varieties of the

nolias and a

magnolia family.

vitae from China, obovate cone spruce

stantly resign."

No. 19, as follows:

and attorneys:

the State Department were pure fiction.

# MAKE FAREWELL CALL

Cuban Delegates Have Another Interview With the President.

WANT SOME RECIPROCITY IN TRADE

Believed They Will Favor Platt Amendment.

EXCHANGE OF GOOD WISHES

The delegates from the Cuban constitutional convention practically closed up today the principal business which brought delegates called upon Secretary Root at the first to the State Department and then to the White House. The party reached the White House at 11 o'clock and was immediately ushered into the presence of the President in the blue parlor. .The call was for the special purpose of saying farewell to the President prior to his departure for the west, but it lasted nearly three-quarters of an hour and was marked by the exchange of several significant statements by the President and members of the dele-

Reciprocity in Trade Wanted.

Senor Capote was spokesman for the delegates. He thanked the President for the courtesies which had been showered on them and said they accepted them not as special attentions to themselves, but as kindnesses extended through them to the Cuban people. He invited the President to visit Cuba, not merely as a matter of cour-tesy, but with a sincere desire to have him come and see for himself the conditions the Cuban people the love and affection which they have for the United States and their appreciation of what had been done for them by the United States in their great struggle for freedom. He also asked the Precident to do something for the Cuban Company of the Cuban Company of the Cuban Company of the Cuban Company of the Cuban Cuba the President to do something for the Cu-bans upon an economic line, especially in the matter of reciprocal trade relations. He said that it was especially desirable that something of this kind be done before the next crop was harvested in order that the Cubans might thus realize advantages of closer political and economic relations with the United States.

Government Must Be Formed.

In reply the President said that it was Impossible to settle the economic questions until the political questions were disposed of. He told the delegates to first form their government and then they would be in a position to enter in negotiations with the United States as to trade relations between

Senor Capote responded to this by saying that something ought to be done while the Cuban government was forming. He thought that while the United States was exercising control that there might be arrangements perfected similar to those unler contemplation by the Secretary of War in 1898, when the government first passed under control of the United States. He told the President that the Cuban republic did erty and rags, but that if it could not be Wealthy it would at least prefer to have something substantial with which to support itself and have its people in prosperconditions or with such conditions immediately before them.

Promise to Appoint Commissioners. The President reverted to the fact that

the Secretary of War had advised them that he did not see how under existing conditions it was possible to settle the economic questions while the government was not formed. He added that he would appoint commissioners immediately after a government was formed, to negotiate similar commissioners from the Cuban government for reciprocal trade relations, and he believed that the United them to assure the Cuban people of his friendly interest in them and his desire to see them contented and prosperous. Senor Capote, talking to Secretary Root, expressed the hope that in the interviews that had been held he had sald nothing in his earnestness and argument which was

in any way offensive. ecretary replied that on the contrary the arguments of Senor Capote and discussed had his highest appreciation. spect for the legal abilities and keepness

of the Cuban people.
This practically closed the interview with esident and the final handshakes occurred as they left the President. smiling faces of the delegates as they with-drew indicated satisfaction with the results of the visit. As one of them said, it had served to increase the favorable impression they had already received.

# Business Practically Closed.

For the first time there were intimations from some of the delegates that their business was now practically closed, and that they might be able to get away very soon, possibly tonight. This, however, they said. would be determined later, after they had made social calls on many officials. The delegates have received an invitation

from the Grant Memorial Association of New York to be present at a dinner at the Waldorf tonight, but they do not expect to close up their affairs in time to accept invitation came from a number of New Yorkers interested in business in for a dinner at such time as they may designate. They ill accept this inviextended to each of the members of the delegation the courtesles of the club during his stay. The delegates wish to make pub-He acknowledgment for these and many other invitations and courtesies extended

There is a general impression among those who have been in close touch with the Cuban delegates that they will recommend the acceptance of the Platt amend-ment by the constitutional convention when they return to Havana. Secretary Root has made it plain to them that the amendment is the United States' policy.

# EMPRESS DOWAGER'S BOARD.

Its Personnel Reported to the State Department.

The State Department has received a further report concerning the personnel of the board of administration appointed by the empress dowager at Pekin to assume the functions of government. The board consists of Prince Ching, Viceroy Li Hung Chang and Kung Kang, who are now in Pekin; also Wang-Wen-Shao, Yung Lu and Lu-Chuan-Lin, who are with the court at

As usual in these Chinese boards, the members are divided racially, three being anchus and three Mongolians. Likewise both the progressive and non-progressive elements are represented, but the preponderance appears to be with the former.

# Lieut. Edwards Discharged.

By direction of the President, First Lieut. Frank E. Edwards, 26th Infantry, United States Volunteers, has been discharged from the service of the United States on

RAILROADERS IN A CLASH KAISER AT REUNION PARTY SHIBBOLETH FOR 1904 AT THE WHITE HOUSE

FOUGHT TWO HOURS WITH SHOVELS AND CLUBS.

Senator Clark's Forces Finally Make Peace Terms With Oregon

Short Line Men.

SALT LAKE, Utah, April 27 .- A special from Uvada, Utah, says: The first clash between the Oregon Short Line and Senator Clark's forces for possession of the disputed Utah and California grade occurred yesterday when twenty-two wagons loaded with ties were driven up to the right of way by orders of Superintendent Young. The first team was promptly stopped by

the Clark forces. Sheriff Johnson then demanded that the teams be allowed to pass over the public roads, but the Clark forces again refused them to Washington. In the morning the to allow the teams to proceed. The teamsters attempted to force their horses War Department and by him were escorted | through, but the Clark men, heavily reinforced and armed with shovels and pickhandles, rushed to the horses' heads and again stopped them. For two hours the struggle was kept up, several of the teamsters in the meantime succeeding in breaking through and getting their wagons up

on the right of way. Finally the Clark forces asked for an armistice, and an agreement was reached whereby the wagons are not to be un-loaded and the Clark forces are to retire to their second line of defense at the barbed wire trocha, two miles down the grade, pending a determination in court of the re-spective rights of the claimants. This action, it is believed, removes the danger of a further clash between the rival forces.

# HEARING IN CANAL CASE.

Question of Ratifying Sale of Great Falls Property. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., April 27 .- In the circuit court for Washington county here this afternoon Judge Stake is hearing further argument on the ratification of the agreement entered into on March 19, 1901, between the trustees of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and the Great Falls Power Company, whereby the latter agrees might be drunk in the order of the years to pay the trustees \$75,000 for one acre of when they studied, the emperor called for land and certain franchises at Great Falls. | a salamander for a blind old lawyer, Herr George Whitlock was present in the interests of the Great Falls Power Company and

Great Falls Power Company. Attorney General Raynor was not present, but it is understood the state of Maryland does not object to the sale being made to the Great Falls Power Company. Judge Stake will probably file his opinion in canal case proper next week.

# APPRECIATED IN FRANCE.

The Attention Shown to Cadets on

Duguay Trouin. PARIS, April 27.-The hospitality shown to the French training ship Duguay Trouin at Baltimore, Annapolis and New York has here this morning. attracted attention here, and is highly ap preciated in official circles. The dispatches arrived here at noon and drove to the received at the foreign office speak of the warm welcome extended to the French cadets and the Associated Press is authorized to say that the French government is extremely grateful for the sympathy to ward France displayed in the receptions of the officers and men of the Duguay Trouin by the American authorities and people.

# WANTS TWO MEN DISCHARGED.

Representative Irwin After Political Scalps of Two Examiners.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 27.-The Courfer-Journal says: Representative Irwin has recommended to the civil service commission the removal of John H. Casev and Thomas E. Ditto from their positions as members of the board of civil service examiners of the engineer service at Louisville. A dispatch from Washington says States would be ready to deal in a man-ner which would be beneficial to both countries. He thanked the delegation for it was stated that an inspector would the invitation to visit the island and told shortly visit Louisville and examine into the condition set forth in Representative Irwin's complaint.

It is alleged by Irwin that the engineer board of Louisville has practical control over the discharge and appointment of the several hundred employes at the canal locks, and that the appointees are selected exclusively from the friends of Casey and

#### HARD FIGHT WITH BURGLAR. Two Policemen at Portsmouth Finally

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. PORTSMOUTH, Va., April 27.-A desperate encounter took place in the heart of the city at dawn this morning between Randolph Patterson, a burglar, and two policemen. The desperado is under arrest and Patrolman Broughton lies at his home dangerously wounded. Four bullets from the policemen's revolvers struck the burglar in various places, but not one of them took effect, except one fired by Broughton. That

inflicted a flesh wound.

Patterson has been making systematic raids upon the establishment of John Dolan, on Crawford street, the city's principal wholesale section. Thinking there was but a single officer on guard this morning, the burglar held the door, awaiting him, and as he emerged the negro struck him a murderous blow over the eye. The big policeman fell and the negro knelt upon Brough-The Army and Navy Club here has ton and began beating him in the face and on the head with a brick. The other policeman rushed to the assistance of his rade. Drawing his revolver, he placed the muzzle within an inch of the negro's head and fired. The bullet went through his cap and a second shot struck his left breast as ne rose and faced his assailant. It glanced off, and a third shot from Abbott's revolver struck the burglar's cuff button. Then as Broughton fired, striking the man in the

#### arm, he surrendered. SUFFOCATED BY RAG SMOKE.

Three Italians Lost Their Lives in Chicago Fire.

CHICAGO, April 27.-Three men were suffocated and three others seriously injured by a fire in a rag shop last night at 2553 Lasalle street. The upper story of the building was used as a sleeping room by twenty Italian laborers. Fourteen of the men escaped unhurt, but the other six were overcome by the smoke while asleen The injured men will recover.

# PLEASED WITH SHAMROCK IL.

Lipton Most Sanguine That He Will Lift the Cup.

GLASGOW, April 26.-The Shamrock II was undocked early this morning and towed to Greenock, where trysails were bent and her compass was adjusted. She will start for Southampton in tow of the Erin this afternoon, Mr. Fife accompanying here. Designer Watson inspected the challenger and expressed enthusiastic approval of her.

the Students at Bonn.

#### WAS DIRECTOR OF THE CEREMONIES

Humorous Incidents Occur During the Interesting Affair.

VISIT TO HIS MOTHER

LONDON, April 27 .- All accounts agre that Emperor William thoroughly enjoyed himself at Bonn, and among the students of his old corps he became a student again. The emperor wore the white cap, and across his breast the black and white rib-

bon of the Borussir corps. His majesty himself took command at the symposium, issued orders in a firm tone and led off the so-called salamanders, the thunderous rattling of beer mugs on the table, when the leading toast was proposed. He also joined heartfly, with a loud voice, in singing students' songs, bringing down the flat of his rapier in the orthodox fashion with a crash on the table at the end of each verse. The proceedings reach ed a climax when his majesty called for that grandest of German student songs, "Landesvater" ("Father of the Country") At one of the verses, in which the students swear to live or die for king and country, each man crosses his rapier with that of the man opposite him, and caps are taken off and spitted on the rapier points, the youthful crown prince crossed rapiers with the aged General Von Loc, himself an old

#### Salamander for Herr Lauff.

At another part of the proceedings, in which the emperor, with great pleasure, was calling up the former corps students, some of them aged men, so that their health Lauff, father of the dramatist Josef Lauff, who annually, under his majesty's direc Joseph W. Hazell as the representative of the syndicate of northern capitalists.

A week ago Mr. Hazell filed formal exceptions to the ratification of the sale to the Wiesbaden, illustrating the achievements of the house of Hohenzollern. Later, joined by the students, he called out, "Our Youngest Fox." the slang nickname of the youngest student. The emperor laughed heartily, and, clapping the crown prince on the shoulder,

> "Do you understand that he means you?" There was another humorous incident when one of the veterans, in reply to the toast to the men of his year, drank to the canal bill and expressed the hope that the old fellows of Berlin might at last realize that the canal must be built. The emperor lay back in his chair and laughed loud and

BONN, April 27.-Emperor William left CRONBERG, April 27.-Emperor William greeted by his mother, the Dowager Em-

# BURGLARS TAKE \$1,000.

press Frederick.

The Bank at Pioneer, Ohio, Robbed Last Night. TOLEDO, Ohio, April 27.-The bank at

Pioneer, Williams county, forty miles from here, was entered by burglars during the night. The vault was wrecked by dynamite, and the sum of \$1,000 is said to be missing. There is no clue to the robbers. STILL RECOVERING BODIES.

Many Victims of the Explosion at Greisheim, Germany. FRANKFORT, April 27.-It is officially

announced that up to 11 o'clock this morning fourteen bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the buildings destroyed by the explosion and fire at the electrochemical works, near Greisheim, Thursday afternoon. Several persons are still miss

#### WILL SPEAK IN KANSAS CITY. President McKinley Has Made Promise

to That Effect. KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 27 .- President McKinley will deliver a speech in conven tion hall during his stay in Kansas City on his way home from the Pacific coast, according to E. M. Clendening, secretary of the Commercial Club, who has just returned from Washington, where plans for the President's entertainment here were submitted and approved.

# Big Mortgage Filed.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. PHILADELPHIA Pa., April 27.-W. H Bosley, president of the Queen Anne railroad today filed with the recorder of deeds for Kent county a mortgage of \$2,330,000 in favor of the International Trust Company of Baltimore. The funds raised by the issue of bonds for which the mortgage is security will be used in extending the road from Queenstown, Md., through Centerville, Chestertown and Church Hill to Kent Island, the terminus. The document bears \$540 in revenue stamps.

# Company Changes Its Name.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. PHILADELPHIA, Pa. April 27.-The Merchants' Transfer and Storage Company of Washington, capital \$150,000, was chartered at Dover, Del., today.

As stated in The Star the Merchants Parcel Delivery Company of this city had decided to make a change in its name, better to express the enlarged scope of its activities. In carrying out this purpose the charter, as above stated, has been taken

#### Students Coming From Porto Rico. SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, April 27 .-

The United States transport Sedgwick sailed yesterday evening for New York, having on board nineteen Porto Rico youths who are going to the United States to be educated. Eleven of them are bound for the United States government Indian training school at Carlisle, Pa. The government will assume the expenses of the eleven students referred to.

# Steel Plant to Resume.

NILES, Ohio, April 27.-All departments of the Falcon plant of the American Sheet Steel Company will resume here next Monday after having been idle almost a year.

Toribio Huerta Hanged. LAS CRUCES, N. M., April 27.-Toribio Huerta was hanged here for the murder of a companion whom he shot to obtain \$45 while they were traveling on foot near Aden, N. M.

Mrs. Margaretta Butler Dead.

JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS THINKS Thoroughly Enjoyed Himself With | THE TARIFF WILL BE A FACTOR. | Many Call to Say Good-Bye to the

> Proposes "High Wages and More Markets" as a Cry for the

Ex-Representative James Hamilton Lewis of Washington is in the city on business List of Those Who Will Accombefore the Supreme Court. He has thought out a shibboleth for the democratic party

in the next presidential campaign. It is: "High Wages and More Markets." He expresses the bellef that the tariff more prominently that it has in politics since 1884, and that the desire for more

markets will overthrow high protection. He said to a Star reporter today that he was inclined to the opinion that the next democratic ticket would be Hill for President and Johnson, the present mayor of tour to the Pacific coast and return. Sen-Cleveland, for Vice President. Hill, he said, had stood by the democratic party and his nomination ought to be satisfac-tory to democrats generally, while John-son, on account of his position on municipal ownership of public utilities, would hold to the support of the party many who might otherwise go into some independent movement. He said he thought both Hill and Johnson were strong and that they would be elected if nominated. He said is was not worth while to go into the merits of the democratic platform of last year; it was sufficient to acknowledge that a ma-jority of our people were alarmed at anything that they could be made to look upon as extreme or revolutionary-they would endure known ills rather than run the risk of possible dangers they did not understand. Seeking high wages and more markets, he thought the tariff would become the great issue in the next presidential campaign, and the people would not be alarmed by the cry of free trade. He thought the next democratic platform would declare against militarism and in favor of an independent local government for the Philippines. If he could write that part of the platform, he would define a policy which would give up the Philippine Islands to independent government under the conditions that we should have the free entry of our products into their ports, maintain naval and coaling stations, and preclaim to the world that any foreign encroachments upon the islands would be an unfriendly act towards the United States.

#### MEXICO AND HER NEIGHBORS.

Steps Taken to Resume Diplomatic Relations. The Mexican government has taken steps to resume diplomatic communication with South American countries, the first move in that direction being the appointment of a Mexican minister to the Argentine Republic. For many years there has been no diplomatic intercourse between Mexico and her sister republics on the southern continent, as there was little commerce between them and few political questions

requiring diplomatic representation. Recently, however, Argentina made a friendly move by accrediting a minister both to Vashington and to Mexico-City and Urnguay has taken similar action. The selection of Mexico City as the place for holding the congress of American repub-lics has had a further influence in inducing Mexico to extend her relations with southern countries. As a result of this sentiment a minister to Argentina is named, and one to Uruguay will probably be named before long. It is expected that this will speedily develop into an extencharge of the transport service at San sion of diplomatic relations between Mexico and all of the South therican countries.

# AUSTRIA AND PEXICO.

Each Country About to Send a Minis-

ter to the Other. A complete rapprochement between the governments of Austria and Mexico has been brought about, and each country is about to send a minister to the other. This terminates an international estrangement dating from the days when young Maximillian of Austria sought to gain a foothold in Mexico, and lost his life in the venture Ever since that unfortunate event Austria and Mexico have suspended all intercourse with each other, commercially and politi Recently, however, friendly tures have been made to terminate the estrangement, and this has now resulted in a satisfactory agreement between them by which their old relations of friendship wil be resumed. A bill has passed the Mexican congress reciting the fact of a rapproche ment, and providing for a minister to Austria at a salary of \$15,000 annually. Austria will take similar action by sending a minister to Mexico, and this will close the long and historic separation.

# ILLNESS OF MINISTER BUCK.

Suffering From the Effects of an Attack of the Grip. Col. A. E. Buck of Georgia, United States minister to Japan, is confined to his apartments at the Hamilton here by illness. He is suffering from the effects of a recent at-

tack of the grip. His condition is not at all serious, and he remains in bed only a portion of the day. Minister Buck recently made a trip through New England, and contracted a cold while stopping in New York on his way back. He intended to sail from San Francisco to his post of duty May 3, but of course will not be able to do so on account of this delay. His physician stated this morning that he would be able to travel in the course of a week.

#### Committee Will Meet Monday. The special committee, consisting of Representatives Cannon, Dalzell and Richardson, to determine the method of ventilat-

ing the hall of the House of Representatives and to decide on the style of furniture to be used in the House, lobby and new committee rooms will meet in the room of the House committee on appropriations Monday. Education of German Children.

# In a recent communication to the State

Department, United States Consul Hill, at Amsterdam, states that a recent German appropriation bill provides subventions for 125 schools for the German education of children of the fatherland in foreign counries. Appropriation is made for schools at Constantinople, Buenos Ayres, Galatz, Antwerp, Brussels, Bucharest, Pretoria and Johannesburg. There are already twenty-nine German schools in Brazil, twelve in China, twelve in the British colonies and a number in many other countries.

#### The New Marine Barracks. Plans have been completed for the building of new marine barracks in this city. The cost of the new structure will be about \$50,000. It will be mostly of steel, and will be a distinct improvement over the old frame structure, which was built

in the second year of the civil war.

Payment of Money Orders. The controller of the treasury has decided that postal money orders are payable only by postmasters upon whom they are drawn and to whom notice of the issue thereof restriction of the President, First Lieut.

In R. E. Edwards, 26th Infantry, United less Volunteers, has been discharged on the service of the United States on bount of desertion, to take effect March last.

Mrs. Margaretta Rutler Dead.

WEST CHESTER, April 27.—Margaretta butler De

# CONGER DENIES RUMORS RUSSIAN PURPOSES

President.

# ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRIP COMPLETED

pany Him.

question will figure in the campaign of 1904 TODAY'S APPOINTMENTS that suggestion of the leave emanated from

> There were a great many visitors at the White House today, but the most of them called to say good-bye to the President, who will leave here Monday for his long ators Proctor, Lodge, Scott, Wetmore and others called for that purpose.

Secretary Cortelyou has sent to each member of the presidential party a beautifully prepared itinerary of the long trip. The booklet contains the names of the party, the day and hour of arrival and departure of the train from the various cities and many other facts, including the names of the railroads over which the train will travel, the distance between points, the altitude and population of stopping places, together with a map of the country to be traversed. The longest distance to be traveled without a stop is from San Antonio to

eled without a stop is from San Antonio to El Paso, Tex., a distance of 624 miles.

The members of the party will be as follows: The President. Mrs. McKinley, Miss Barber, Secretary Hay, Mrs. Hay, Postmaster General Smith, Mrs. Smith, Secretary Long, Mrs. Long, Secretary Hitchcock, Miss Hitchcock, Secretary Wilson, Miss Wilson, Secretary Cortelyou, Mrs. Cortelyou, Dr. P. M. Rixey, Mrs. Rixey, Assistant Secretary Barnes, Henry T. Scott, president of the Union iron works of San Francisco; Laurance I. Scott, Charles A Moore cisco; Laurance I. Scott, Charles A. Moore, Mrs. Moore, M. A. Dignam, J. Krauttschnitt, fourth vice president of the Southern Pacific road; L. S. Brown, general agent of the Southern railway; A. J. Leonard, Nelson P. Webster and M. C. Latta, stenographers; Howard N. Thompson, Associated Press; Walter E. Clark, New York Sun Press Association; R. H. Hazard, Scripps-McRae Press Association; J. C. Scripps-McRae Press Association: J. C. Hemment, Harper's Weckly; R. L. Dunn, Leslie's Weekly; James H. Hare, Collier's Weekly: W. W. Price, Washington Evening Star; Henry L. West, Washington Post; Frank B. Lord, Washington Times; H. A. Strohmeyer, photographer; Morell Marean, Western Union Telegraph Company; George W. Bibble, Postal, Talegraph Company; W. Ribble, Postal-Telegraph Company. In addition to these forty members there will

be a number of servants and attaches.

President and Mrs. McKinley are both in good spirits for the trip. Mrs. McKinley's health is as good as it has been in a long time. She has splendid powers of endu-rance, and Dr. Rixey has every hope that she will stand the trip well Secretaries Hay, Root and Hitchcock,

Representatives Bingham, Wanger, Cannon and Griggs, Assistant Secretary Hackett and Binger Hermann were among those

#### Appointed Brigadier Generals. The President has appointed Col. Merritt Barber of the adjutant general's department and Maj. Oscar F. Long of the quartermaster's department brigadier generals of volunteers in recognition of their long and faithful services during the campaign in the Philippines. General Long has had

Francisco, and Colonel Barber rendered im-

portant service at the headquarters of General MacArthur at Manila. Presidential Appointments.

The following appointments were made by the President today: State-John W. Garrett of Pennsylvania. to be secretary of the legation of the United States of America at The Hague, Nether-

lands. Treasury-Herman Ellerman, to be collector of internal revenue for the district of North and South Dakota Alfred W. Brown, to be appraiser of mer

Charlestown, in the district of Boston and Charlestown, in the state of Massachusetts.

Justice—Earl M. Granston of Colorado, to be attorney of the United States for the District of Colorado Interior-Henry Holdrum of Oregon, to be surveyor general of Oregon.

Harry D. Chamberlain of South Dakota, to be agent for the Indians of the Crow Creek agency in South Dakota.

William Grimes of Oklahoma territory, to

#### be secretary of Oklahoma territory. A Conference With Gen. Wood.

Gen. Leonard Wood, governor general of Cuba, who has been here during the visit of the Cuban commission, leaves tonight for Havana. The commission will return by steamer from New York, but Gen. Wood will go by Florida and cross the channel on a government vessel. Mrs. Wood, who came on with the governor general to visit her sister, who was formerly Miss Condit-Smith, whom she had not seen since the latter's experience in Pekin during the slege of the international forces, will return with her husband. Gen. Wood had an hour's talk with the

President today. He does not care to speak for publication of what he believes to been the result of the visit of the Cuban commission. There has been a mutual understanding between the parties to the conferences that have been held that no speciout on either side in advance of the com mission's report to the constitutional convention. There are many political jealous Wood says that anything said at this time might be liable to misconstruction and lead to friction. Gen. Wood, however, does not hesitate to repeat what has been apparent to all, that the Cubans have been impressed with the treatment they have re-ceived and the attention shown them and to say that they undoubtedly return with a more correct understanding of the meaning of the terms of the Platt amendment and the sincere desire of the government of the United States to put Cuba on her feet

# Conditions Contrasted.

Speaking generally of the administration of affairs in Cuba, General Wood says that mistakes have, of course, been unavoidable: but that what has been accomplished speaks eloquently for itself in the results. as shown by a contrast between the conditions as they existed two years ago when the American administration went into effect and the situation in the island now. The government was then feeding 200,000 people, there was not a school running in the island, the insular treasury was empty and everything was in a chaotic condition. Today there are few beggars in Cuba, the cities have been cleaned, hospitals have been established in every city and town of importance, not a dollar of debt has been contracted by the municipalities, and there is \$1,500,000 in the insular treasury.

Cannot Use the Appropriation. The controller of the treasury has decided that additional rooms which the collector of customs at New York proposed to build in the custom house out of the appropriation for repairs cannot be construct ed under the appropriation.

The voluntary naval retirements, from present indications, will be limited to one Personal Mention. commander and four or five lieutenant Rev. Samuel Saunders of Virginia is viscommanders and two lleutenants. At pres iting relatives here. He was formerly pas-tor of the Second Baptist Church of this ent Commander F. P. Gilmore is the senior officer of his grade who has applied for

NO FRICTION BETWEEN MINISTER Gen. d'Artamonoff Talks of the Man-

churian Campaign. He Had Been Advised Not to Pay Any

DENIES REPORTED COSSACK CRUELTY

THE ROAD TO FORTUNE.

The Road to Fortune is

through Printer's Ink .- P.

T. Barnum.

States Minister Conger will leave tomorrow Fighting, He Says, Was Conducted in a Humane Manner.

PEOPLE ARE NOW TRANQUIL

General L. d'Artamonoff, the Russian army officer, who has been engaged in the campaign in Manchuria, has arrived in Washington. He is not here on any diplomatic mission. He reported improved conditions in Manchuria. He had exceptional opportunities for studying the conditions there, both during and subsequent to the campaign against the Chinese armies, and he talks in an interesting manner of the results which have been accomplished and of the improved state of affairs which, he says, now exist. He was chief of staff of the army operating in southern Manchuria, and in direct charge of the famous Cossacks, about whom much has been pub-

#### Conditions Much Improved. Speaking generally of affairs in Manchuria

countenance such action. We are friends and served together in Congress. He knows me and knows that if I suspected that his confidence in my judgment was in the slightest degree impaired that I would instantly region." General d'Artamonoff said, through an interpreter: "There has been a marked improvement in the condition of things in Manchuria, and the country is now pacified again after the campaign of the past year. Commerce is being revived, navigation has been resumed, the people are again at work on their farms and the natives are being paid handsomely for their work on the great transcontinental railroad. The Russian army is being gradually Directions Issued to Claimants and "Spanish Treaty Claims Commisreduced, those soldiers coming from Russia being sent back home by the way of Odessa, and otherwise the imperial sion" is the title officially announced by the commission to settle the claims of forces are being lessened. In view of this fact, how ridiculous and absurd the statements that have been published that Russia has improper designs on that country. The American citizens growing out of the Cuban insurrection. The commission is daily The commission has promulgated rule military operations conducted by the Russians were not against the people of Man-churla, but were directed toward the sub-"In every case where an agent or attorchurla, but were directed toward the sub-jection of the Chinese army, which had been sent there. While you heard in the newspapers of many small engagements in South Africa, in which the casualties were very few, there were contests of consider-able magnitude between the Russians and the Chinese about which little or nothing was heard in the outside world. ney is employed there shall be entered on the petition or docket the name and address of one attorney or agent, or of one firm of attorneys or agents, with their individual names on whom all notices may be served. Additional counsel may, how-ever, enter their names upon the docket.

#### The People Tranquil.

"Our treatment of the people was most friendly and humane. In this regard we were simply carrying out the absolute orders of the imperial authorities, both of the czar and the commander-in-chief of the military and naval forces, Admiral Alexief. There is a vast difference between the conprovince of Pechili, in which Pekin is situated. In the former the people are tran-quil and the country is prospering, while

selves if the originals are produced, and In the latter the conditions in many re not affidavits or other writings requiring spects are the reverse. "I want to say just a word about the Cossacks, about whom so many stories of "Papers in the Department of State or other departments will not be sent for by horrible cruelty and butchery have been reason of any requirement contained in These statements do the Rusthe petition, but only on special motion sians a great injustice, as there is absolutely no foundation for them. The operations of the Russian troops were not against the natives, but were directed to the requirements of rule 1, and is subject to dismissal if it contains matter not contemplated by the rule." against the Chinese armies, and our course throughout was in keeping with the impe-

#### rial orders, to be humane." RUSH TO THE YUKON GOLD FIELDS Canada Cuts Down the Royalty or

Mining Output. trees in the grounds of the Department of The Canadian government has decided to Agriculture is progressing and will be comreduce the royalty on gold mined in the pleted as soon as all the trees shall have Yukon from 10 to 5 per cent. This informataken on foliage. The identification of the tion has reached the State Department conifers is practically complete, and the through United States Consul General Bitcollection is declared to be the best in the tinger at Montreal. The 10 per cent royal-United States. Among those in the grounds ty, it is stated, was imposed during the first are stone pines from Europe and Asia, vari- exciting days, when the gold discoveries in egated pea cypress from Japan, red cedars the Klondike were reported, and the imof North America, pitch pines of the east- pression prevailed in many quarters that ern United States, Japanese spindle trees. the gold was in "pockets" as easily opened as a silo on a farm. When the real condiica, Ware's arbor vitae from eastern North tions became known the 10 per cent royalty was seen to be clearly onerous, and hence America, loblolly, sugar, white and long-

the present decision.

The rush to the Yukon and Alaska gold fields for the season has already begun, and will be large, says the consul general. Already over 1,000 claims have been recorded in the vicinity of Clear creek (a, branch of Stewart river, which runs into the red, white and Carolina cedars, Bhoton Yukon), where important new finds are re-

ported.

The government has issued a new tion for placer mining in the Yukon to take the place of the one in force since 1898. A miner's certificate issued in favor of an individual involves a fee of \$10; a joint stock company having a nominal capital of \$100, 000 or less, \$50, and a company having a nominal capital over \$100,000, \$100. Only one person or joint stock company shall be named in a certificate

# FALSE REPORTS CIRCULATED.

Gold Has Not Been Found in Large Quantities at Kuskokum River. A dispatch was received at the War Department today from Gen. Randall, commanding the Department of Alaska, saying that information had been received there that reports are being circulated in the United States that gold in large quantitles had been discovered at Kuskokum river. These reports, says Gen. Randall, are unconfirmed. The place had been prospected, and many who had just returned report that false representations have been The dispatch of Gen. Randall is

dated Fort St. Michael, March 1, via the boundary, April 25. To Visit European Statistical Burcaus.

O. P. Austin, chief of the bureau of statistics of the Treasury Department, sailed from New York today for Europe, where he will visit the statistical bureaus of the principal European nations. While the work of the bureau of statistics has been materially extended during the past few years, it is considered especially desirable not only to benefit by the experiences of older nations in statistical matters, but as far as practicable to harmonize methods, view of facilitating comparisons in international statistical studies. statistics of the colonies of the principal European nations are also a subject of especial interest at the present moment, and Mr. Austin has been invited to attend the meeting of the International Colonial institute, which is to be held at The Hagu beginning May 28.

The training ship Buffalo left Port Said yesterday for New York. She is on her way home from the Asiatic station. The Hannibal arrived at Lambert's Point yesterday. The gunboat Scorpion has arrived at New Orleans. The Alabama has arrived in at the New York navy yard. 'Four months' repairs have been ordered on the tug Active at Mare Island.

Government Receipts. Government receipts from internal revenue today were \$965.673; customs, \$574.218; miscellaneous, \$48,423. Expenditures, \$1,